

Club News

Drama Society

Jessi Adhin
Executive Director

Drama Society had their most recent meeting on Oct. 22 during lunch to discuss role changes and cuts.

The main focus of the Winter Production is on bullying and how it affects its victims. This play is a teaching tool that communicates that bullying is not okay to treat people by inflicting pain physically and mentally. It also includes a segment on teen pregnancy and peer pressure.

The current production's cast consists of: director and actress Jessica Adhin, actress Alisha Hill, actor Alexander Lynds, actress Miranda Bailey, actor Gene Smith, actress Rebekah Allen, actor Will Storz, and actress Teresa Gontiz. The following people are stagehands: Tamara Phanthavong, Cameron Freer, Julia Storz, Sam King, Michael Pace, and Matthew Connelly.

The date for the production has not yet been decided.

Band

Mickey Biggs
Managing Editor

Recently, the WHS band took a trip to the University of California in Berkeley to participate in Cal Band Day. Cal Band Day is a day where high school bands from across the state join for one day to perform at one of the college's home football games. The band did well and behaved appropriately according to Mr. West. Their performance can be viewed on YouTube under WHS Band Day.

The band is now preparing for their various performances in concert season. Some students are making the transition from marching instruments to concert instruments including the standing bass, bassoon, oboe, cello, French horn, and assorted percussion instruments.

As of today, there are no fundraisers being discussed with the band members.

SWAT Club

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Executive Director

SWAT participated at Orland's annual Resource Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Glenn County Fairgrounds on Saturday, Oct. 2. SWAT officers Jessica Adhin, Izzy Leal, and Janet Gutierrez attended, alongside 19 other Glenn County SWAT members.

The group also decorated the WHS campus during Red Ribbon Week, which was held during the last week of October.

SWAT held a meeting on Nov. 8 to discuss the Great American Smokeout week. The group is scheduled to go to Elk Creek High School and deliver a presentation titled, "Tobacco Quiz."

The next meeting will be after school on Dec. 6 in Room 404. Listen to the bulletin for more details.

FFA Report

Upcoming FFA events

Wednesday, Dec. 1:
 Officer Meeting at 12 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 6:
 Adopt-a-Family Shopping event at 3:15 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 13:
 Officer Meeting at 12 noon

Wednesday, Dec. 15:
 FFA Meeting at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 5:
 Officer Meeting at 12 noon

Friday, Jan. 7-8:
 MFE/ALA Conference

Wednesday, Jan. 12:
 National Chapter Award Due

Monday, Jan. 17:
 Beef Weigh in at 8 a.m.



Wednesday, Jan. 19:
 Officer Meeting at 12 noon

Wednesday, Jan. 19:
 FFA meeting at 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 21:
 Regional Officer and Nomination

Com Applications due

Tuesday, Jan. 25:
 State Degree Record Book Scoring

Wednesday, Jan. 26:
 Replacement Heifer meeting

Thursday, Jan. 27:
 Tulalake Invitational Contests

Greenhand Conference

Jolene Pozzi
FFA Staff Reporter

The Green Hand Conference was held at Colusa County Fairgrounds on Sept. 29, 2010. The purpose of the Greenhand Conference is so that first year members can learn what ffa is and the opportunities available to them.

"It is a great learning experience for the ninth graders to pursue opportunities in FFA," FFA advisor, Ms. Samons said.

The Greenhand Conference started off with activities that incorporated cooperation, thinking, puzzles, and meeting new people. After the activities were finished, all the attendees were split into six break out groups according to the cards

they got in one of the previous activities. The break out groups were named after movies like the A-team, the Transformers, and the Avengers. In these breakout groups studentds worked to develop a plan of action for their next four years within the FFA.

After the groups finished a couple of games, they had lunch and played a couple more games and returned to school.

When the WHS freshmen were on there way home they stoped for a milshake at Jeff's Freezette and talked about how they thought it went.

"The lemonade was good and the food was gross." Meghan Mendes

"The food was good and the music was also good" Lexi Weber said

7 attend FFA National Convention

Delainy Ward
Editor-In-Chief

Seven FFA members traveled to Indianapolis to take part in the 83rd National FFA Convention, October 17th-24th.

FFA members who attended the convention were senior, Laura Ferreira; junior, Mackenzie Gomes; sophomores, Delainy Ward, Marvin Price, and Eduardo Briones; and freshman, Lukas Nygard.

Before the convention started, the team of seven

attended four different agricultural tours. The tours included Purdue University's College of Agriculture, Fair Oaks Farms, Tyson Pork Processing Plant, Walnut Valley Bison Ranch, and Keeton Elk Farm.

The convention opened its doors on Wednesday, offering access to the Career Show and the FFA Mall with three opening sessions, two held that night and one the following morning. The Willows FFA attended the morning session listening to keynote speaker, comedian Josh Shipp.

After the opening session, members split up into three groups attending three different workshops. Ferreira and Gomes went to the "National FFA Scholarship" workshop. Massa and Ward went to "Creative Conflicts" workshop and Briones, Price, and Nygard went to the "Who, What?" workshop. Later that night, the WHS FFA went to dinner at the "Weber Grill" restaurant in downtown Indianapolis with the Hamilton City FFA.

On Friday, WHS FFA attended a few more workshops

together. Workshops included "The X-Files", "Gut Check", and "The Case of Social Change." After going to workshops, the seven membered team went to the Indiana State Fair Grounds to attend the "Three Hills Outlaws of Rodeo" rodeo.

Saturday afternoon, the seven person team wrapped up their convention experience by going to the closing session where they got to witness president, Levy Randolph's retiring address, the National FFA Officer's thank you's to their parents, and the election and installation of this year's National FFA Officer Team.

2009 - 2010 Healthy Kids Survey

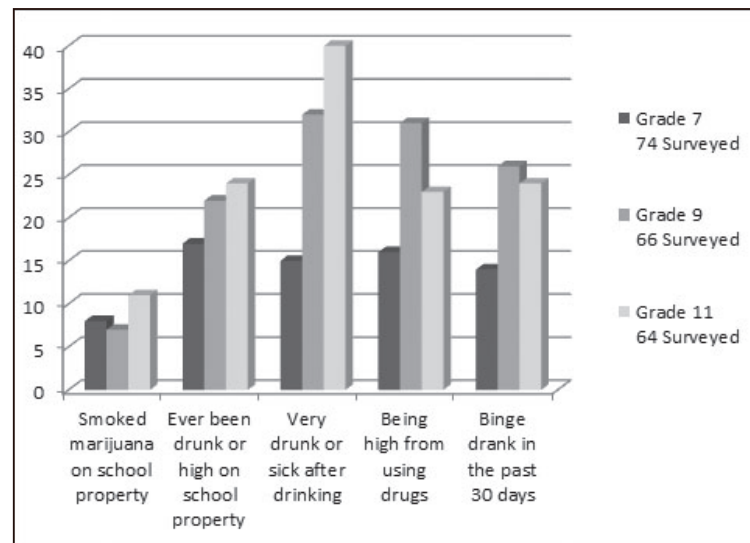
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Mickey Biggs
 Managing Editor
 Krissa Fletcher
 Executive Director

These students answered various questions concerning life-long and short-term usage of alcohol and drugs as well as high-risk behaviors in the first portion of the survey. The first few questions asked the students if they had used alcohol or other drugs, inhalants and marijuana, at least once in their lifetime or used them within 30 days, in current use. Then, the students were asked more specifically about tobacco usage. The students were also asked if they participated in high risk behaviors associated with the substances, and felt frequent use of alcohol, tobacco and marijuana is harmful.

In the second portion, the students answered questions based on their feelings of safety on school grounds as well as relationships with teachers and other adults at school. The students

Percent of Students Who Participated in High Risk Behaviors associated with Alcohol, Tobacco or Other Drugs



The following chart shows the percent of students participating in high risk behaviors. The most notable was the growth factor between the grades. For more information contact the intermediate and high school's office.

were asked about how safe they felt at school, and who experienced safety related incidents on school property within the past 12 months. The students were also asked about their relationships with

teachers and other faculty members, and their breakfast consumption.

More details concerning the CHKS are provided in the following articles.

Fall Cheerleading coming to an end

Linda Thurman
A & E Editor

With the conclusion of the 2010 Fall Cheerleading Season, the cheerleaders are anxious to see how next seasons cheerleading team perform without this years senior cheerleaders. There is also anticipation to see new faces of the freshman that tryout for next year. Overall this season, the cheerleaders have had their ups and downs.

"I think 2010 cheer went pretty good. I wish we could have done a little more at times. But, it was still loads of fun. My favorite part was flying and all the jumps," sophomore; Kayleigh Foster said.

"2010 cheer went good. We had some falls, but it is the risk

of cheering [stunts]. We made friends and, showed a lot of spirit.

"My favorite part was cheering because I am a huge football fan," junior, Teresa Gontiz said.

The girls who participated in the 2010 Fall Cheerleading, will be ending the season and taking with them new friendships, learning lessons in responsibility, and more cheerleading experience.

"Overall, I think the 2010 Fall Cheerleading went well. Bonds were formed and friendships were made, and everyone grew close as a whole. My favorite part was working with people who had never been particular close prior [to season]," sophomore; Michaela Biggs said.

Honker Post break-in

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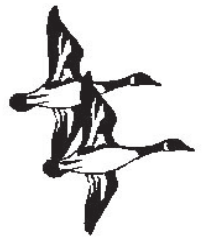
Krissa Flesher
Executive Director
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Staff Reporter

chair the fundraiser, ordering and inventorying the Honker spirit merchandise. At the time of the theft Ward was away at the FFA Conference held in Indianapolis, Indiana.

"This action by these students definitely does not define the meaning of 'Goose Island'. It is about having pride, honesty, and integrity," newspaper advisor, Mrs. Ansel said.

Sophomore lead advisor Mr. Eric Hanson built the sales booth for the sophomore class to sell school the spirit items and trinkets. After being notified of the theft, he put on a new lock and ensured the door secure.

"We were upset by the break-in, being the purpose of the shack was to raise school spirit at a low cost to the students of WHS," said co chair Delainy Ward.



WHS spirit clothes

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The Honker Editors

corporate offices have not replied back to our questions.

With the profits being reduced by over 50 percent, the students are forced to look to alternative fundraisers like advertising.

Advertising editor, Krissa Fletcher, is in contact with several more businesses in hopes to raise \$1,800 by the end of the year to insure that there is enough in the budget to pay off the all of the newspapers ccosts.

"With Wal-Mart selling the high school paraphernalia at a cost a lot lower than we can offer, it has seriously impacted the budget that was already tight," managing editor, Micky Biggs said.

In a 2003 report by Charles Fishman, titled the Wal-Mart You Don't Know, he states that Wal-Mart has the power to squeeze profit-killing concessions from vendors, and that is what he has done to the school's spirit clothes fundraiser.

While Wal-Mart does offer a scholarship to students both nationally and locally, there is not any financial support for the schools newspaper.

"The one thing to remember is that Wal-Mart is not supporting our newspaper with its school spirit clothing sales. When one of our sweatshirts or t-shirts is sold, the purchaser is directly helping our newspaper students. When one of theirs is sold, their sales is helping their corporate shareholders," advisor Mrs. Ansel said.

Goose Island t-shirts and sweatshirts as well as other sweatshirts and mens and womens polosshirts can be purchased through the newspaper class located in Room 301 or by calling (530) 934-6611 ext. 1301.

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